

swearing an oath, should he capture
 the place, to
 burn alive or crucify its defenders.
 The city
 surrendered itself at last to the milder
 prince
 Grimoald,

Roger" himself led the royal army
 into Apulia,
 and exacted from his vassals gathered
 at Melfi in
 October an oath of fealty to himself
 and his sons
 Roger and Tailored, In the north his
 horsemen
 constantly hovered around
 Benevento. In the
 west the ducal capital, Salerno,
 seemed lost, It
 was attacked by Robert of Capua with
 Pisans and
 AniaJfitans from sea and Rainulf from
 land, and
 its commanded by the
 Chancellor Robert

hard A gallant resistance
 was made
 by the burghers, who had a reputation
 for always
 standing true to their old lords, and
 when they
 had to yield up the city they
 bargained that four
 hundred knights who were within the
 walls should
 retire unharmed to Roger, The
 Chancellor him-

moved up into the castle which
 overlooks the
 city from the hill, and held out all
 winter,

The of the insurrection for
 all their
 triumphs looked eagerly for Lothar's
 coming—
 l&nge lateque optatum* Their hopes
 rose, therefore,
 all through the autumn and winter

of 1132. By
15th of August, 1132, Lothar had
with much
labour round him at Wteburg a
small
imperial army. His immediate object
was to
lead Innocent to Rome, for any
effec-
tive on Roger his forces were
too small,
In- the last of September, after
descending